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Title of Invention: : **ELECTRICAL TRANSIENT PROTECTION
CIRCUIT**

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STATUS REQUEST

The above-identified patent application has been on file since October 24, 2003. Applicant reviewed the most recent Official Gazette issue dated October 11, 2005 which indicates that the oldest average filing date of applications receiving a first Office action in the last three months for this Group Art Unit is December 21, 2003. Since the above-identified application was filed approximately two months prior to this average filing date, Applicant hereby respectfully requests when examination can be expected.

Respectfully submitted,

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